

Appleby Archaeology

Notes of the Committee Meeting of the Appleby Archaeology Group held on Thursday December 1st at White House Brampton.

Present

Richard Stevens	Chairman
Mike Godfrey	Treasurer
Tony Greenwood	Publicity
Martin Joyce	Newsletter Editor
Martin Railton	Field Work/Research
Phyl Rouston	Secretary
Stephen Walker	

Apologies

Carol Dougherty

Richard opened the meeting by welcoming Stephen Walker to the committee.

Notes of the last meeting

The notes were agreed a correct record.

1/12/11 Matters arising

5/09/11 V C H Project Phyl wrote to Richard Brockington explaining our position and had a friendly reply. Copies of the letters had been circulated to committee members by email.

7/09/11 2. Newsletter Martin J tabled two coloured versions of the newsletter these were admired and approved.

7/09/11 4.Ninekirks Tony contacted Janet Butterworth, Project Manager of the Whithorn Trust and had no response.

2/12/11 Treasurer's Report

Mike tabled the accounts for the period 20th Sept.-1st Dec. The balance on December first was £464.10. He advised the committee that he had looked at the projected figures for 2012 and was concerned that there might be a shortfall. Income comes from membership fees and can vary from year to year. There have been increased costs for postage and the hire of the supper room.

Following discussion it was decided that the following actions be taken.

1. The membership be asked, at the AGM, to approve a rise in subscriptions to £12 for an individual and £20 for a couple to take effect January 2013.
2. The first talk of the autumn programme be in October and an outside activity be planned for September.
3. The fee for visitors to talks be increased to £2 from January but the coffee left at donations.
4. To look into the possibility of an alternative insurer. The current policy recommended by CBA has a high brokerage fee but it may be our only option.
5. To proceed with a colour newsletter.

3/12/11 Research 2011 Altogether Archaeology Brackenber Moor

Paul Frodsham is applying to the National Lottery for further funding for Altogether Archaeology.

Following this meeting Paul has advised that he has been successful in gaining development funding for the Altogether Archaeology Project and will be contacting us in the coming months about the possibilities for further work.

An application for post excavation work to CWAAS is being held back pending possible funding from Altogether Archaeology

4/12/11 Correspondence

The following have been received:-

Newsletter from Appleby and Westmorland Society.

CBA North notice of EGM and explanation as to why they can not circulate current Newsletters electronically.

CLHF request for articles. Martin R will send something re Blackener excavation.

5/09/12 AGM and Constitution

The agenda for the AGM was approved. (attached)

The constitution was discussed and revised to remove some anomalies and bring it up to date. The proposed changes will be presented to the membership for their approval at the AGM. (attached)

The notes of the AGM January 2011, the Agenda for the AGM 2012 and the proposed revisions to the constitution will be circulated to all members with the Newsletter published in this month.

6/12/11 Future programmes

It was agreed that this should be the main item for the next committee meeting. Speakers that were suggested included.

Blaise Vyner Pottery Fylingdales Moor

Dot Boughton Viking hoard

Oxford Archaeology North Carlisle bypass.

7/12/11 AOB

1. Stephen Walker updated the committee on the progress made by the Friends of Nine Standards and circulated details about becoming a friend. A website is being developed and fund raising is continuing. An article will be included in the Winter Newsletter.

2. Martin J raised the subject of spam on the 'admin' email address which has been accessible from the website. He has now removed the address and asked the meeting if it would be acceptable to provide a secure email link for the secretary or other committee members on the site. Initially, these links would be routed via his personal Gmail address to verify that no spam was being received before being forwarded to the recipient's email address. The meeting agreed that it would be a good idea to allow email access from the website, but only to the secretary, who should remain the single clearing point for all correspondence. The link will not be activated before the new secretary takes office in the New Year.

Date and Time of next meeting **Thursday March 8th 7.30pm** at Northgate Milburn

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